

Keeping the Vote

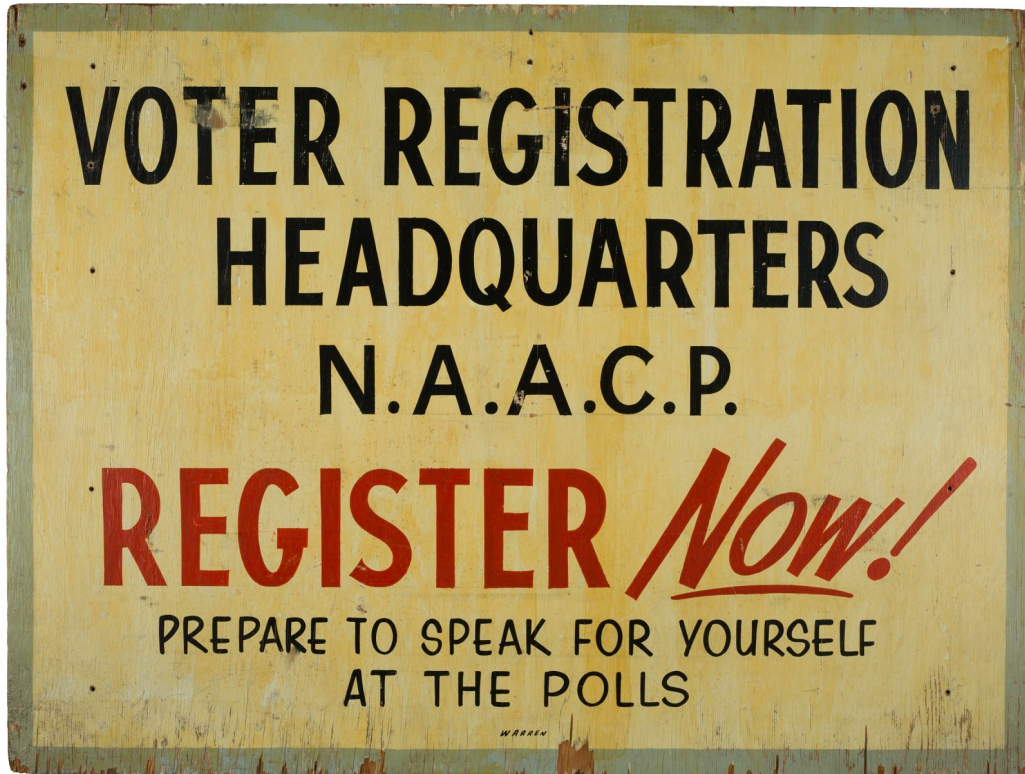


Lining Up to Vote, 2012

Lines for the last day of early voting in Olathe, Kansas, 2012

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As new and diverse groups of Americans won the right to vote, local and national concerns shifted from whether or not they could vote to whether or not they would vote. Some advocates and officials encouraged voters to come out to the polls and looked for ways to make voting easier. Others changed voter registration requirements and Election Day rules in attempts to minimize the political power of newly enfranchised groups. Whether it is about voter qualifications, ballot language, or physical access to the polls, Americans continue to debate whose votes and voices should be counted in our representative democracy.



NAACP sign, from the Warrenton, North Carolina, headquarters' southern registration campaign, 1965-1968

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REGISTER TODAY
so you can vote for a
BETTER TOMORROW

CIO-POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE



Poster, Register today so you can vote for a better tomorrow, around 1948

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VOTE!
NOVEMBER 2ND

**VOTE
OR
DIE!**

IT'S THAT
SERIOUS!
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Poster, Vote or Die, 2004

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Register and Vote

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When _____

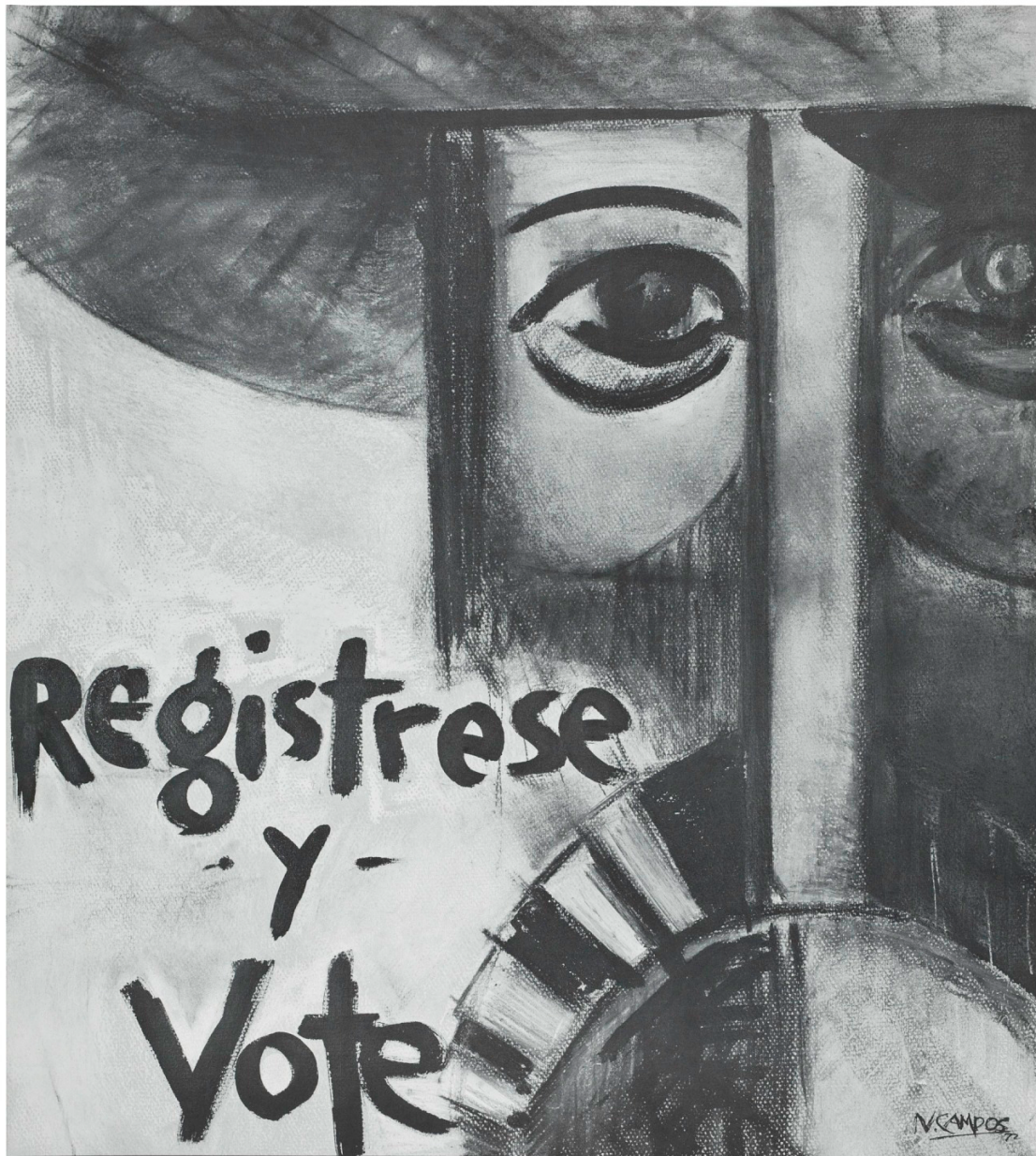
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Rise Up Women



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**Hands that pick cotton...
now can pick our public officials**



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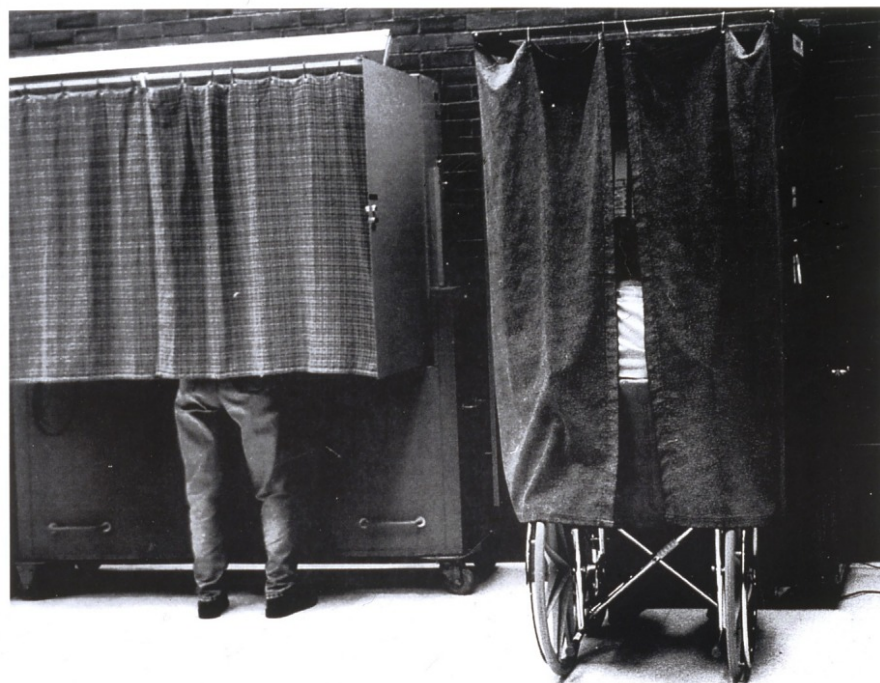
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makes it easier to register to VOTE**

Register to Vote NOW!

National Office:

Americans With Disabilities Vote

1-800-55-VOTER (Voice or TDD)

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Poster, With Rights . . . Comes Responsibility, 1990s

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**WE'RE FATHERS AND SONS
MOTHERS, DAUGHTERS
BROTHERS, SISTERS
MARRIED, SINGLE
FAMILY, FRIENDS...**



**FROM THE STREETS
THE CITIES
FROM THE ISLANDS
THE MAINLAND...**



**OF EVERY ORIENTATION:
GAY AND STRAIGHT
LIBERAL
CONSERVATIVE
OR ALTERNATIVE...**



CITIZENS: YOUNG AND OLD AND NEW OF SUBSTANCE AND STYLE...



**WE'RE WOMEN
AND MEN
WE'RE EAST WEST
AND
ALL-AMERICAN**



VOICE YOUR VOTE November 5 1996



Row 1 (Down): Rosalind Chan, Kieu Chinh, Margaret Cho, Stan Egi, Amy Hill, Shoshie Kurup, Jason Scott Lee, Mako; Row 2: Dustin Nguyen, Steve Park, Nia Peeples, Jenny Shimizu, Elizabeth Sung, Cary-Hoyuki Tagawa, Lauren Tom; Row 3: Tamiyn Tomita, Denise Uyehara, Garret Wang, Ming-Na Wen, B.D. Wong, Russell Wong.

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